

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

E.F.S. & T. Dept. - Revised Guidelines for Immersion of Idols under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 – Orders – Issued.

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ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (ENV) DEPARTMENT

**G.O. Rt. No. 494**

**Dated: 24.10.2013.**

**Read the following:**

1. G.O. Rt. No. 233, E.F.S. & T. (Env) Dept., Dt. 27.7.2001.
2. Guidelines for Idol immersion from Central Pollution Control Board, New Delhi, June, 2010.

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**ORDER:**

In the G.O. read above, the Government framed the guidelines for immersion of Ganesh Idols in tanks and Lakes as recommended by Cabinet Sub-Committee constituted by Government in the Tanks other than Hussain Sagar Lake. Subsequently, in the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, the Central Pollution Control Board, the nodal / Premier Agency of the prevention of pollution, framed guidelines for Idol Immersion in water bodies, which include Lakes, rivers and Sea and stipulated the measures to prevent pollution due to immersion of Idols.

2. After careful consideration, Government decided to follow the Guidelines framed by Central Pollution Control Board during June, 2010 for immersion of idols in all water bodies in the State to prevent pollution of water bodies.

3. Accordingly, the orders issued in the G.O.1<sup>st</sup> read above are hereby withdrawn and ordered to follow the guidelines framed by Central Pollution Control Board in the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above for immersion of Idols in water bodies such as lakes, rivers, Ponds and sea forthwith. (Copy of the guidelines is enclosed).

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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The Director General & Inspector General of Police, A.P., Hyd.

The Inspector General of Police (Intelligence), Hyd.

The Commissioner & Spl. Officer, GHMC, Hyd.

The VC & MD, HUDA, Hyd.

The Collector & District Magistrate, Hyd.

The Collector & District Magistrate, R.R. Dist., Hyd.

The Superintendent of Police, R.R. Dist, Hyd.

The Chief Engineer, Mechanical, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to State Legislature, Public Gardens, Hyd.

(P.T.O.)

The Commissioner, I&PR, A.P., Hyd.  
The Member Secretary, A.P. Pollution Control Board, Hyd.  
The Superintending Engineer, Irrigation Circle, Hyd.

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